

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 6, 11 and 25 and ADD claims 40-58 in accordance with the following:

1. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a signal identifying unit that receives an input signal and identifies the type of the input signal;
a signal checking unit that checks whether the identified input signal is abnormal; and
a signal changing unit that switches from the checked input signal to a next input signal to be checked based on set data corresponding to the identified type of the input signal so that the signal checking unit checks whether the next input signal is abnormal, if the identified input signal is determined to be abnormal.
2. (Original) The display device of claim 1, wherein the signal identifying unit identifies whether the received input signal is one of a D-sub analog signal, a DVI analog signal, a DVI digital signal, and a VIDEO signal.
3. (Original) The display device of claim 1, wherein the signal checking unit checks whether the identified input signal is abnormal by one of decoding the identified input signal and sensing whether an input signal cable is connected to the display device.
4. (Original) The display device of claim 1, further comprising a data setting unit that sets one of a number of times the identified input signal is checked, a time required to check the identified input signal, and a position of the identified input signal to be checked within a sequence of identified input signals to be checked,
wherein if the signal checking unit has not checked one of the number of set times whether the identified input signal is abnormal and has not checked for the period of set time whether the identified input signal is abnormal, the signal checking unit continues checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal.

5. (Original) The display device of claim 4, further comprising a signal controlling unit that checks the position of the checked input signal within the sequence of identified input signals to be checked to determine which identified input signal is to be checked after the checked input signal,

wherein the signal changing unit switches from the checked input signal to the determined input signal so that the signal checking unit checks whether the determined input signal is abnormal.

6. (Currently Amended) A method of checking a signal input into a display device, the method comprising:

receiving the input signal and identifying a type of the input signal that is received;

checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal; and

switching from the checked input signal to a next input signal to be checked based on set data corresponding to the identified type of the input signal so that whether the next input signal is abnormal is checked, if the input signal is checked and is determined to be abnormal.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the identifying comprises determining whether the input signal is one of a D-sub analog signal, a DVI analog signal, a DVI digital signal, and a VIDEO signal.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the checking comprises determining whether the input signal is abnormal by at least one of decoding the input signal and sensing whether an input signal cable is connected to the display device.

9. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the checking comprises setting one of a number of times the identified input signal is checked, a time required to check the identified input signal, and a position of the identified input signal to be checked within a sequence of identified input signals to be checked,

wherein if the checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal has not been performed one of the number of set times and checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal has not been performed for the period of set time, checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal continues.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the checking further comprises checking the position of the checked input signal within the sequence of identified input signals to be checked to determine which identified input signal is to be checked after the checked input signal,

wherein the checked input signal is switched to the determined input signal so that whether the determined input signal is abnormal is checked.

11. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a signal identifying unit receiving an input signal and identifying the type of received input signal;
a signal checking unit checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal or normal;
and

a signal changing unit switching from the checked input signal to check a next input signal based on set data corresponding to the identified type of the input signal so that the signal checking unit checks whether the next input signal is abnormal;

wherein if the checked input signal is normal, the signal continues being displayed by the display device and if the checked input signal is abnormal, the signal stops being displayed by the display device.

12. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the identified input signal and the next input signal are abnormal if cables carrying the signals are not connected to the display device.

13. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the identified input signal and the next input signal are abnormal if H-sync and V-sync patterns associated with the signals are abnormal.

14. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the signal identifying unit identifies whether the received input signal is a D-sub analog signal.

15. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the signal identifying unit identifies whether the received input signal is a DVI analog signal.

16. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the signal identifying unit identifies

whether the received input signal is a DVI digital signal.

17. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the signal identifying unit identifies whether the received input signal is a VIDEO signal.

18. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the signal checking unit checks whether the identified input signal is abnormal by decoding the identified input signal.

19. (Original) The display device of claim 11, wherein the signal checking unit checks whether the identified input signal is abnormal by sensing whether an input signal cable is connected.

20. (Original) The display device of claim 11, further comprising a data setting unit that sets the number of times the identified input signal is checked, wherein if the signal checking unit has not checked the number of set times, the signal checking unit continues the checking.

21. (Original) The display device of claim 11, further comprising a data setting unit that sets the time required to check the identified input signal, wherein if the signal checking unit has not checked the identified input signal for the set period of time, the signal checking unit continues checking whether the identified input signal is abnormal.

22. (Original) The display device of claim 11, further comprising a data setting unit that sets the position of the identified input signal to be checked within a sequence of identified input signals to be checked.

23. (Original) The display device of claim 22, further comprising a signal controlling unit that checks the position of the checked input signal within the sequence of identified input signals to be checked to determine which identified input signal is to be checked after the checked input signal,

wherein the signal changing unit switches from the checked input signal to the determined input signal so that the signal checking unit can check whether the determined input signal is abnormal.

24. (Original) The display device of claim 11, further comprising a menu from which a

user determines the identified input signal is to be checked and a checking order.

25. (Currently Amended) A method of checking a signal input into a display device, the method comprising:

receiving an input signal and identifying the type of received input signal;
checking whether the received and identified input signal is abnormal or normal; and
switching from the checked input signal to a next received and identified input signal based on set data corresponding to the identified type of the input signal to check whether the next received and identified input signal is abnormal;

wherein if the checked input signal is normal, the signal continues being displayed by the display device and if the checked input signal is abnormal, the signal stops being displayed by the display device.

26. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the identifying comprises identifying whether the input signal is a D-sub analog signal.

27. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the identifying comprises identifying whether the input signal is a DVI analog signal.

28. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the identifying comprises identifying whether the input signal is a DVI digital signal.

29. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the identifying comprises identifying whether the input signal is a VIDEO signal.

30. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises checking whether a cable carrying the received and identified signal is connected to the display device.

31. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises checking whether H-sync and V-sync patterns associated with the received and identified signal are abnormal.

32. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises decoding the input signal.

33. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises sensing whether a signal input cable is connected.

34. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises setting the number of times the input signal is checked, wherein if the checking whether the input signal is abnormal has not been performed the number of set times, the checking whether the input signal is abnormal continues.

35. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises setting the time required to check the input signal, wherein if the checking whether the input signal is abnormal has not been performed for the period of set time, the checking whether the input signal is abnormal continues.

36. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises checking the position of the input signal to be checked within a sequence of input signals to be checked.

37. (Original) The method of claim 36, wherein the checking further comprises checking the position of the checked input signal within the sequence of input signals to be checked to determine which input signal is to be checked after the checked input signal,

wherein the checked input signal is switched to the determined input signal so that whether the determined input signal is abnormal can be checked.

38. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the checking comprises determining from a menu the received and identified input signal to be checked and an order of checking.

39. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, further comprising:
continuing displaying the input signals if the input signals are in a normal state; and
stopping displaying the input signals if the input signals are in an abnormal state.

40. (New) A displaying device having a plurality of input ports comprising:
an input port selection unit for selecting an input port for receiving an input signal;
a signal checking unit for checking whether the selected input port is receiving a normal input signal; and

an input port changing unit for switching from the checked input port to a next input port when the input port is not receiving a normal input signal, wherein at least one of the input ports has priority in an order of checking by the signal checking unit as compared to another input port.

41. (New) The displaying device of claim 40, wherein the order of checking of the input port is selected among a plurality of checking orders.

42. (New) The displaying device of claim 41, wherein the checking order is set by the user.

43. (New) The displaying device of claim 42 wherein a menu is provided on a screen of the displaying device to set the checking order.

44. (New) The displaying device of claim 40, wherein the input port selection unit selects whether the input signal is one of a D-sub analog signal, a DVI analog signal, a DVI digital signal, and a VIDEO signal.

45. (New) The displaying device of claim 40, wherein the signal checking port checks whether the input signal is normal by decoding the input signal or sensing whether a cable via which each signal is input is connected.

46. (New) The displaying device of claim 40, wherein the displaying device is capable of displaying a computer signal.

47. (New) A displaying device comprising:
an analog input port for receiving an analog signal;
a digital input port for receiving a digital signal; and
an input port changing unit for switching from the analog input port to the digital input port when the analog input port is not receiving a normal analog input signal.

48. (New) A displaying device comprising:
an analog input port for receiving an analog signal;
a digital input port for receiving a digital signal; and

an input port changing unit for switching from the digital input port to the analog input port when the digital input port is not receiving a normal digital input signal.

49. A method of checking a signal input into a displaying device, the method comprising: selecting an input port among a plurality of input ports for receiving an input signal; checking whether the selected input port is receiving a normal input signal; and switching from the checked input port to a next input port to be checked when a normal input signal is not being received from the selected input port, wherein at least one of the input port has priority in an order of checking by the signal checking unit as compared to another input port.

50. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein the selecting step selecting a D-sub analog port for D-sub analog signal.

51. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein the selecting step selecting DVI analog port for DVI analog signal.

52. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein the selecting step selecting DVI digital port for DVI digital signal.

53. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein the selecting step selecting VIDEO port for VIDEO signal.

54. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein whether the input signal is normal is checked by decoding the input signal or sensing whether a cable via which each signal is input is connected.

55. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein whether the input signal is abnormal is checked by checking whether H-sync and V-sync patterns associated with the received signal is abnormal.

56. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein the order of checking of the input port is selected among a plurality of checking orders.

57. (New) The method of claim 56, wherein the checking order is selected by the user.

58. (New) The method of claim 57, a menu is provided on a screen of the display device to set the checking order.